

City of Hyattsville Code Compliance Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2024 | 7:15 - 8:30PM

1. Welcome

2. Committee Roll Call and Member Updates

- a. Jamie Bean (Chair)
- b. Ian Fay (Vice Chair)
- ~~c. Arinee Flurry (Record Keeper) - absent~~
- d. Gloria Felix-Thompson (Member)
- ~~e. Stacey Dennery (Member) - absent~~
- ~~f. Lena Bradly (Member) - absent~~
- g. Joe Brewer (Staff Liaison)
- ~~h. Jimmy McClellan (Councilmember Liaison Ward 3) - absent~~
- i. Kareem Redmond (Councilmember Liaison Ward 3)
- j. Thoa Hoang (Member)
- k. Susan Zahran (Member)

3. Vote on Chair and Recorder

- a. Jamie reviewed the Chair role with Thoa.
- b. Gloria nominates Thoa to be Chair of the Code Compliance Advisory Committee, seconded by Ian. The committee unanimously votes to approve Thoa as Chair.

4. Approval of March Meeting Minutes

- a. Jamie motion to approve March meeting minutes. Seconded by Ian. Committee approves.

5. Update on Code issues with Joe Brewer

- a. Joe provides update on rat issue on Ager Road. The city is doing a force clean up and abatement. This issue would take multiple weeks to address. The city is currently working with the apartment with neighbors with rat issue because of dumpster issue.
- b. Councilmember Redmond raised an issue about a fire alarm issue. Joe will send a follow up email.
- c. Councilmember Redmond brought up an issue about loose bricks on the sidewalk coming apart.
- d. Joe provided an update on streetlights on American Boulevard, which should be fixed. Code team is short staff, one staff member is on annual leave, so things are moving a bit slow.
- e. Thoa raises concern about utilities solicitors. Solicitors going around. All solicitors need a permit. Gloria suggests raising awareness via the Hope

Listserv to warn elders., Joe reached out to the communications team to inform them and request a message to be posted via the city's social media.

6. Committee News & Updates

- a. Urban Farming: Thoa reviewed the memo with the committee. Committee provided input. Thoa will revise the memo and circulate for committee review within the next 2 weeks.

7. New Business

- a. Days of tall grass compliance:
 - i. Joe recommends the committee revises long-grass height compliance days from 14 to 7 days.
 - ii. City Council only meetings 2 times during the summer and so issue won't be discussed until fall.
 - iii. Councilmember Kareem will take this project on as a sponsor. Joe will support with drafting the language.
 - iv. Gloria moves to amend the notification to the city from 10 to 7 days. Jamie seconds. Committee agrees.

8. Next Meeting: May 15, 2024